have been given permission to uplink from India are also required to adhere to the same code. However, liquor and tobacco advertisements are being carried by the satellite TV channels uplinked from outside India. Such channels unless encrypted are not subject to any code. The encrypted channels even though covered by the Cable Television Networks Rules, 1994 are not prohibited from carrying liquor and tobacco advertisements since the code does not provide for such prohibition. A proposal to bring about an uniformity, in the advertisement codes is under consideration of the Government.

Classical Music on Bangalore Doordarshan

4489. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the average duration of classical music being telecast on Bangalore Doordarshan everyday; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to increase the duration of telecast of classical music on Bangalore Doordarshan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY) : (a) Carnatic/Hindustani music is telecast every alternative Monday between 6.00 p.m. and 6.30 p.m. in regional terrestrial channel (DD-1) from Bangalore Doordarshan Kendra. In addition, programme on classical music for 30 minutes between 6.00 and 6.30 a.m. daily and Classical Carnatic/Hindustani music for 60 minutes between 10.00 p.m. and 11.00 p.m. on every Sunday is also telecast on "Chandana"Kannada regional satellite channel.

(b) No Sir.

Collected Works of Mahatma Gandhi

4490. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the position with regard to publication, sale, free distribution and stock of the collected works of Mahatma Gandhi published by the Publication Division;

(b) what steps are being taken to promote the distribution of this important publication; and

(c) whether it is contemplated to translate and publish it into any Indian language ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN JAITLEY) : (a) The position with regard to publication, sale, free distribution and stock of the collected works of, Mahatma Gandhi published by the Publication Division, in English and Hindi, is as below :

		No. of books
published	—	8,95,484
sold	—	6,28,077
free distribution	—	43,337
in stock	—	2,24,070

(b) Sale of this publication is being promoted through the marketing network of Publications Division, spread throughout the country and by active participation in exhibitions and book fairs. Services of commission agents are also being used to promote the distribution.

(c) No, Sir.

Urdu Programme Executive In AIR And Doordarshan

4491. MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AJMI: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of Urdu Programme Executive (PEX) in All India Radio and Doordarshan, separately, all over the country;

(b) the number of posts of Urdu PEX lying vacant in All India Radio and Doordarshan, separately, and since when;

(c) the prescribed qualification for the post of Urdu PEX.

(d) the number of posts of Urdu PEX on which persons not having prescribed qualifications are working;

(e) the steps taken so far, by the Ministry to fill up these vacant posts; and

(f) by when these posts are proposed to be filled up ?